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**TITLE OF INVENTION**

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PATCHING ELECTROCHEMICALLY DEPOSITED  
LAYERS USING ELECTROLESS DEPOSITED MATERIALS**

**SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION**

The specification of which:

- ☐ is attached hereto
- ☒ was filed on **July 6, 2001**, under Serial No. **09/900,710**, executed on even date herewith; or  
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and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable)
- ☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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and which is material to the examination of this application; namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, and

- ☐ In compliance with this duty there is attached an Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98.

**PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. §119)**

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119, of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America or of any United States Provisional Application(s) listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America or any United States Provisional application(s) filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the applications) of which priority is claimed.

- ☐ No such applications have been filed.
- ☒ Such applications have been filed as follows:

- A. Prior foreign/PCT application(s) filed within 12 mos. (6 mos. for design) prior to this application, and any priority claims under 35 U.S.C. §119

<u>Country/PCT</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Date Filed</u>	<u>Priority Claimed</u>
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- C. U.S. Provisional Application filed within 12 months prior to this application

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
60/217,598	July 11, 2000

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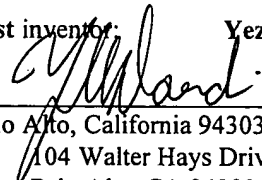
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